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SUBJECT: SECURITY ASSISTANCE FOR BOTSWANA

1. UK HIGH COMMISSIONER TURNER TOLD ME JULY 13 THAT GOB HAS FINALLY AGREED TO REQUEST A TWO-MAN UK TEAM TO COME TO BOTSWANA TO ADVISE THE GOB ON TRAINING AND ORGANIZATION OF BOTSWANA DEFENSE FORCE. TURNER REFLECTED HIS GOVERNMENT'S RELIEF AND PLEASURE AT GOB REQUEST SAYING IT PROVIDED SOME ASSURANCE THAT THE GOB WOULD NOT "TAKE PRECIPITOUS ACTION" IN THE SECURITY FIELD (E.G., TURN SUDDENLY TO COMMUNIST SOURCES) IN THE FACE OF ADMITTEDLY DISTURBING RHODESIAN PROVOCATIONS OVER RECENT MONTHS. TURNER HOPES UK ADVISERS WILL BE ABLE TO ASSIST GOB IN DEVELOPING A "REASONABLE" LIST OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE REQUIREMENTS.

2. HICOM TURNER STRESSED GOB'S "UNDERSTANDABLE ANXIETY" THAT UK TEAM'S PRESENCE AND ACTIVITIES IN BOTSWANA REMAIN CLOSELY HELD. DETAILED SCHEDULE AND FURTHER BACKGROUND ON UK TEAM VISIT WILL BE FORTHCOMING BY SEPTEL. IN PASSING, TURNER CONFIRMED THAT PRESIDENT KHAMA DID NOT ASK TO MEET ON MILITARY SUBJECTS WHILE IN UK FOR COMMONWEALTH MEETING NOR DID UK TAKE ANY INITIATIVE (GABORONE 1514).

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